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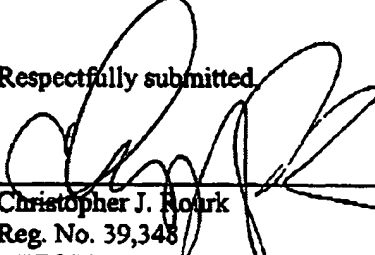
In view of the foregoing remarks and for various other reasons readily apparent, Applicant submits that all of the claims now present are allowable, and withdrawal of the rejection and a Notice of Allowance are courteously solicited.

If any impediment to the allowance of the claims remains after consideration of this amendment, a telephone interview with the Examiner is hereby requested by the undersigned at (214) 939-8657 so that such issues may be resolved as expeditiously as possible.

A response to the pending office action within the one-month extension period was due on October 17, which fell on a Sunday. As such, this response is timely filed within the one month extension of time period on Monday, October 18, 2004. An additional fee of \$110 for a one-month extension of time is believed to be due, for which a petition is hereby made, and the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge this fee to the deposit account of Godwin Gruber LLP, No. 500530. If any applicable fee or refund has been overlooked, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fee or credit any refund to the deposit account of Godwin Gruber LLP, No. 500530.

Respectfully submitted,

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